

Frequently Asked Questions about the UKCAT

What is the UKCAT?

The UKCAT is the UK Clinical Aptitude Test.

What skills / subjects does the UKCAT test?

The UKCAT is designed to assess a candidate's mental abilities and how they might respond to patients. The majority of the exam tests critical thinking, verbal and mathematical skills.

Do I need to take the UKCAT?

The UKCAT is required for entry to a medical or dental degree at the following universities:

- Aberdeen University
- Barts and The London School of Medicine
- Brighton and Sussex
- Cardiff University
- Dundee University
- Durham University
- East Anglia University
- Edinburgh University
- Glasgow University
- Hull York Medical School
- Imperial College London
- Leeds University
- Leicester University
- Manchester University
- Newcastle University
- Nottingham University
- Oxford (graduate only)
- Peninsular college of Medicine & Dentistry
- Queen Mary London
- Queen's University of Belfast
- Sheffield University
- Southampton University
- St. Andrew's University
- St George's London
- Warwick University (graduate only)

What is the format of the UKCAT test?

The UKCAT is a two-hour computer-based test consisting of five sections:

- **Section 1** – Verbal Reasoning
- **Section 2** – Quantitative Reasoning
- **Section 3** – Abstract Reasoning
- **Section 4** – Decision Analysis
- **Section 5** – Non-Cognitive

When should I take the UKCAT?

The UKCAT test is offered between the 7th of July and the 9th of October. The deadline for registration is the 25th of September.

Where do I take the UKAT?

UKCAT tests are conducted at Pearson VUE test centres. When you register to take the test, you will choose the test centre you wish to visit. We advise students to register early, as test dates fill up quickly.

Is there a fee for sitting the UKCAT test?

The fee for UK/EU Residents is £60 up to the 31st of August. From the 1st of September, the fee is £75. The fee for test centres outside the EU is £95.

When will I receive my score?

Results are released to candidates when they exit the test-room on the day of their test.

How important is a high UKCAT score?

Your UKCAT score will form part of your application along with your UCAS Personal Statement, predicted A-Level exams, AS level results and Admissions Interview. A high UKCAT score will ensure that you are submitting the best possible application.

I'm not happy with my score, can I re-sit?

You are only permitted to take the UKCAT test once in each application year.

I'm interested in a Kaplan UKCAT Preparation Course. Can you tell me more?

The Kaplan UKCAT Preparation course has been developed by education experts to ensure that our students have every possible advantage on test day. Kaplan offers courses in a variety of methods so there is a course to suit your schedule.

Kaplan's UKCAT classroom course

The Kaplan UKCAT course is a 2-day course. The course focuses on teaching you strategies and techniques to enable you to move through the questions quickly on test-date.

Included in the UKCAT course are:

- *Strategy Book* - The UKCAT Strategy Book details Kaplan strategies for the question types found in the UKCAT. It includes time management techniques, and additional practice questions.
- *Four Full-length Practice Tests* - The 4 full-length practice tests are to be taken during self study. These tests will increase your familiarity with UKCAT-style test questions, the test format, and its timing. The UKCAT practice tests will help build your confidence and stamina– so there will be no surprises on test day.
- *Ongoing Academic Support* - Course enrolment includes email access to your UKCAT teacher until your test date. Teachers will be available to answer academic questions that arise during self-study.

Kaplan courses are available in London as well as nationally. Please click on the links below to view our full schedule of courses, taking place in London and Nationally.

[Kaplan UKCAT Courses – London](#)

[Kaplan UKCAT Courses - National](#)

Kaplan's UKCAT Live Online Course

Kaplan also offers UKCAT courses Live Online. The course is conducted through live teacher-led sessions over the internet. Students receive the same course materials and are taught the same strategies and techniques as those attending our classroom courses. Please see below for a timetable of our UKCAT Live Online courses.

Course Code	Date
UKLO 3939	Sat 11 Jul – Sun 12 Jul
UKLO 3940	Sat 25 Jul – Sun 26 Jul
UKLO 3941	Sat 8 Aug – Sun 9 Aug
UKLO 3942	Sat 22 Aug – Sun 23 Aug
UKLO 3943	Sat 5 Sept – Sun 6 Sept
UKLO 3944	Sat 12 Sept – Sun 13 Sept
UKLO 3945	Sat 19 Sept – Sun 20 Sept
UKLO 3946	Sat 26 Sept – Sun 27 Sept

How can I find out more information?

Please visit the [UKCAT pages](#) on our website for more information. Alternatively, please call us on +44(0)20 7930 3130.

How can I book?

Book online by clicking by visiting www.kaptest.co.uk or call us on 020 7930 3130.

Do you offer any UKCAT Practice questions?

Kaplan offers Free Practice Seminars at which students can find out more about the UKCAT format and question style and try a mini-test. These seminars are held at our London Centre near Leicester Square and are also available Live Online. Please [click here](#) for a UKCAT Practice Seminar Schedule. Practice questions are also available to download from our website; visit www.kaptest.co.uk and click "Download Brochure".